

Amendments to the Claims:

The Applicants' January 28, 2004 preliminary amendment cancelled original claims 1-29 and added claims 37-93. The Office renumbered those claims 29-84. The instant amendment cancels claims 29-84 without prejudice or disclaimer and adds new claims 85-101.

1-84. (Cancelled)

85. (New) A method for decorating a bakery product, comprising:

providing a bakery product to be decorated;

providing a printable edible medium to be applied to the bakery product;

inserting the printable edible medium into a printer modified by removing at least one rotating element from a printing path in the printer to facilitate the travel of the edible medium along the printing path;

selecting between at least two printing options, said print options including i) retrieving a scanned image and ii) retrieving a digital image from an alternate image source containing a plurality of digital images;

when the option of retrieving a scanned image is selected, pressing a single button to automatically scan and print the image onto said edible medium;

when the option of retrieving a digital image from the alternate image source is selected, selecting an image from the plurality of images and printing the selected image on the edible medium; and

applying the image-bearing edible medium to the bakery product.

86. (New) The method of claim 85, further comprising obtaining an original photograph to be scanned.

87. (New) The method of claim 85, further comprising digitally editing the selected image prior to printing the image on the edible medium.

88. (New) The method of claim 85, wherein the edible medium is edible paper.

89. (New) The method of claim 85, further comprising optionally selecting a third print option, the third print option including retrieving a licensed image from a licensed image source.

90. (New) The method of claim 89, further comprising disposing an original photograph on a flatbed scanner, generating an edible medium bearing a likeness of the original photograph, and applying the generated edible medium to a bakery product.

91. (New) The method of claim 89, wherein the bakery product is a cake.

92. (New) A method for manufacturing a system for decorating edible media, comprising:
providing an inkjet printer having a printing path;
removing at least one rotating member from the print path to facilitate the travel of an edible medium along the printing path;
coupling the printer to a scanner, a user interface and a control system that in response to activation of a single button causes an image to be scanned and transmitted to the printer; and
providing an alternate image source containing a plurality of digital images, said alternate image source being coupled to the control system such that the control system may retrieve and transmit an image from the alternate image source to the printer in response to user input.

93. (New) The method of claim 92, wherein the control system includes an image editing portion to modify a selected image in response to user input.

94. (New) The method of claim 92, wherein the edible media comprises edible paper.

95. (New) The method of claim 92, wherein the images include licensed images.

96. (New) The method of claim 92, wherein the alternate image source includes clip-art or illustrations.

97. (New) A system for decorating edible media to be applied to bakery products, comprising:

an inkjet printer modified by removal of at least one rotating member from the print path to facilitate the travel of a edible media along the printing path;

a scanner to generate a digital image;

an alternate image source containing a plurality of digital images; and

a control system coupled to the printer, scanner and alternate image source to selectively retrieve and transmit to the printer a digital image from the scanner or the alternate image source, wherein the control system automatically retrieves and causes to be printed on the edible medium a digital image from the scanner in response to activation of a single button, without further intervention by a user.

98. (New) The system of claim 97, wherein the control system includes an image editing portion to modify a selected image in response to user input.

99. (New) The system of claim 97, wherein the edible media comprises edible paper.

100. (New) The system of claim 97, wherein the digital images contained in the alternate image source include licensed images.

101. (New) The system of claim 97, wherein the alternate image source includes clip-art or illustrations.